

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-55 are pending in this application. Claims 1-55 are subject to a Restriction Requirement. Claims 20-55 (Species II) have been withdrawn.

**Restriction/Election Requirement**

Applicant elects Species I. Species I, claims 1-19, are elected for examination on the merits. Claims 20-55 have been withdrawn with Applicant reserving the right to file divisional or continuation applications on the withdrawn subject matter.


In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that Applicant has responded in a fully satisfactory manner to all matters at issue in this Office Action.

If the Examiner has any questions or suggestions concerning the application, or feels that an interview would advance the examination process, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the direct dial number printed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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